

## Message Text

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ACTION DLOS-09

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 IO-14 OES-09 L-03 EB-08  
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USUN FOR WINSTON

E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: PLOS, FR

SUBJECT: PRESS COMMENT ON UNCLOS

REF: (A) USUN 3222 (B) STATE 213683

1. FRENCH PRESS TO DATE HAS PROVIDED MODERATE  
COVERAGE OF RESUMED SEVENTH SESSION OF UN CONFERENCE  
ON THE LAW OF THE SEA. INFLUENTIAL LE MONDE DEVOTED  
LEAD EDITORIAL TO SUBJECT ON AUG. 23. ISSUES HIGH-  
LIGHTED BY LE MONDE EDITORIAL WERE ESSENTIALLY THE  
SAME AS THOSE STRESSED BY OTHER FRENCH ORGANS ACROSS  
POLITICAL SPECTRUM FROM CONSERVATIVE THROUGH SOCIALIST.  
COMMUNIST DAILY L'HUMANITE HAS NOT COVERED SUBJECT  
SINCE BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD.

2. MAIN ISSUES WERE: (1) NO SPECTACULAR AGREEMENTS  
EXPECTED FROM SESSION; (2) SINKING OF TANKER AMOCO-  
CADIZ OFF COAST OF BRITTANY INCREASES PRESSURE ON  
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CONFERENCE TO CONTROL MARINE POLLUTION; (3)  
PERSISTENCE OF STRONG DIFFERENCES OF OPINION  
OVER EXPLOITATION OF DEEP SEABED MINERAL RESOURCES.  
WITH REGARD LATTER POINT, ALL PRESS SOURCES NOTE  
CONFLICT BETWEEN PENDING CONGRESSIONAL ACTION DESIGNED  
TO FACILITATE UNILATERAL US EXPLOITATION OF DEEP  
SEABED RESOURCES AND LDC EFFORTS TO CONSTRAIN SUCH

EXPLOITATION TO REAP INCREASED BENEFITS FOR THEMSELVES.  
ECONOMIC JOURNALS ALSO REPORT LAND-PRODUCER FEARS OF  
DEEP SEABED MINERAL COMPETITION.  
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